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Applicant: Tsuyoshi KUBOTA et al.

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STRUCTURE OF CONNECTING ROD

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement issued on September 4, 2007, Applicant elects Group I, including claims 11-26 for prosecution in the present application. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant hereby reserves the right to file a Divisional Application to pursue prosecution of the non-elected claims.

Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance.

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Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 19, 2007

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